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2004 Northern Shrimp Fishery Set at 40-Day Season.

On November 12, 2003, the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Northern Shrimp Section approved a 40-day fishing season for the 2004 northern shrimp fishery. The season will be from January 19 through March 12, 2004 with no possession or landing of northern shrimp allowed on Saturdays or Sundays. Processors are reminded that it is unlawful to purchase northern shrimp prior to January 19, 2004 or after March 17, 2004 without the written authorization of the Director of the Division of Marine Fisheries. Additionally, there is a prohibition on the use of any equipment, except those implements operated solely by hand, to cull, grad, separate or shake shrimp.

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